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June 6, 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Bernardino has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR), which is being distributed for public review pursuant to the California Public Resources Code and the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA Guidelines). The County of San Bernardino is the Lead Agency for the proposed project.

Project Title: Lazer Radio Broadcasting Facility, State Clearinghouse Number: 2008041082

Project No.:

P201000215

To:

Responsible Agencies and Interested Parties

SUBJECT:

Notice of Availability/Completion of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

Project Location: The Project Site is situated in the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains between the City of Yucaipa and the community of Oak Glen. The Project Site is located west of Pisgah Peak Road approximately 1.5 miles northwest of its intersection with Wildwood Canyon within an unincorporated portion of San Bernardino County and in the Oak Glen Planning Area. The Project Site is approximately 1.5 miles south of the San Bernardino National Forest, and occurs on a west facing slope below the ridgeline. Property is currently vacant but was the site of a previous demonstration pole installed to identify the location of the Proposed Project and represent the monopole height. The Project Site elevation varies from 3,850 feet above mean sea level (amsl) to 4,500 feet amsl. The entire Project site consists of densely mixed chaparral and occurs primarily on steep slopes greater than 30 percent.

Project Description: Lazer Broadcasting Corporation is proposing the construction and operation of a new FM radio broadcast facility to include a 43-foot tall monopole with attached antenna, a 10-foot by 10-foot single-story (nine-foot tall) equipment building, and a single 10-foot by 20-foot parking space/turnaround area on a 38.12-acre site. The project is located near Wildwood Canyon and Oak Glen Roads, west of Pisgah Peak Road in an unincorporated area of San Bernardino County. The project also includes a 30-foot radius fuel modification area on the perimeter of the monopole and equipment building, security fencing on the perimeter of the monopole and equipment building, and installation of approximately 650-lineal feet of underground conduit for radio transmission lines between the monopole and the equipment building. Off-site, the Proposed Project includes the extension of electric lines and utility underground for approximately 6,700 in Pisgah Peak Road. The monopole would be fire preventative as it is proposed to be constructed of treated wood. The proposed antenna would be attached to the side of the monopole and would begin approximately midway up the pole (about 21.5 feet above the ground) to within one-foot below the top of the pole. The antenna would extend approximately 4.5 feet out from the side of the pole and would have an overall length of 21 feet. Based on Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and FCC guidelines, the proposed monopole and attached antenna would not require lighting or the application of red/white striped paint.

Environmental Topics Evaluated: The Draft EIR examines the potential impacts generated by the proposed project in relation to the following environmental topics:

Aesthetics

Geology and Soils

Biological Resources

Land Use and Planning

Fire Safety Hazards

In addition, the Draft EIR evaluates two project alternatives that include:

- No-Project/Development Under the RL Land Use Designation Alternative
- Other Location Alternative

Public Comment Period: The Draft EIR and its technical studies are available for the CEQA required 45day public review and comment period from June 06, 2016 through July 21, 2016 Written comments on the Draft EIR and technical studies must be received no later than 4:30 pm on July 21, 2016.

Reviewing Locations: Copies of the Draft EIR are available for review at the following locations: County of San Bernardino Land Use Services Department, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415 and the Yucaipa Branch Library, 12040 5th St, Yucaipa, CA 92399. The Draft EIR can also be accessed on the County of San Bernardino Land Use Service's website at:

http://cms.sbcounty.gov/lus/Planning/Environmental/Mountain.aspx

Please submit comments to kwhite@lusd.sbcounty.gov or to: Kevin White, Senior Planner 909-387-3067 County of San Bernardino Land Use Services Department - Planning Division 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, First Floor San Bernardino, CA 92415-0187

Please include the name, phone number, and address of the contact person in your response.

Sincerely,

Kevin White

San Bernardino County

Land Use Services Department

Vicinity Map



